U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Announces Resolution of Information Management/Information Technology National A-76 Competition

(**April 18, 2007**) — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced Tuesday that the final performance decision is in favor of the Most Efficient Organization for the Information Management/Information Technology A-76 competition.

The new IM/IT operation is expected to save up to \$1 billion over the next five years.

Fifteen government positions at the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville are impacted by this decision.

The competition was initially completed in March 2006, and the Government's Most Efficient Organization (MEO) was selected based on lowest price, technically acceptable. After subsequent protests, the final performance decision is the selection of the MEO.

The Corps will sign a Letter of Obligation with the MEO on April 18, and implementation of the new organization will begin immediately following. The MEO organization, Army Corps of Engineers Information Technology (ACE-IT), will have a one-year phase in period, a one year base period, and four one-year option periods.

To deliver the full range of IM/IT services, ACE-IT has partnered with Lockheed-Martin to provide contract support. Lockheed-Martin worked closely with the team that developed the Government's tender under the competition to address contracting needs.

The ACE-IT organization will be headquartered in Vicksburg, Miss., with 55 local offices at Corps offices throughout the U.S.

The competition began in June 2004, and involved work performed by approximately 1300 DOD civilian employees and more than 500 contractors at Corps locations throughout the United States. The competition included the following services: (1) automation services and systems support, (2) communications services and systems support, (3) information assurance service and support, (4) record management services and support, (5) printing and publication services, (6) visual information services, and (7) IM/IT Administration and Management.